

May 5, 1862

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WILLIAMSBURG

When the Union forces learned that the Confederates had evacuated Yorktown and started for Richmond

a detachment was immediately sent in pursuit. The Confederates were overtaken and a sharply contested battle was fought. Federal reinforcements failed to arrive and at first, it looked as if the Confederates were

be victorious, but Kearny's appearance
saved the day, the Confederates retreating
toward Richmond leaving Williamsburg
in Hooker's hands. In this battle, the
Federals lost 2,200 men; the Confederates
2,000.

May 5, 1862

Union army captured Williamsburg,
Virginia.

May 8, 1862

Jackson defeated a detachment of
Fremont's.

Then he joined ~~Banks~~ ^{Evell} in an attack on
in the Shenandoah Valley. At this
 juncture he had 17,000 men

May 8, 1862

Stonewall Jackson defeated Federals
at McDowell, Virginia

May 1862

With an effective force of but 17,000
men, ~~he~~ ^{Jackson} had within the space
of a month, won 5 battles, taken
rich spoils and money prizes,
given Washington a scare and
prevented 40,000 men from joining
the Union Army before Richmond

May 9, 1862

Union forces advancing on
Richmond compel Confederates to
abandon Norfolk.

May 10, 1862

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NORFOLK

When the Federal Army marched toward Richmond, Va., the Confederates destroyed the MERRIMACK and evacuated Norfolk, at the mouth of the James R. On May 10, 1862 a force from Fortress Monroe was sent to seize Norfolk and the place was surrendered without resistance.

May 12, 1862

Federal Troops occupy Baton Rouge,
Louisiana.

May 21, 1862

McKellan was in camp in the
Chickahominy, seven to 12 mi
from Richmond. He had received
reinforcements by water
of Franklin's Division of
McDowell's Corps and the
promise of the rest of his body.
35,000 to 40,000 strong, they were
now opposite Fredericksburg preparatory

* joining him by an overland march

May 23, 1862

Jackson swooped upon a
detachment of Banks' force at
Front Royal and put it
to rout, capturing a large
part of it.

May 23, 1862

Jackson drove Union forces from
Front Royal, Virginia.

1862

Homestead Act

Granted free homesteads of 160 acres
to settlers who occupied the land for
five yrs.

May 24, 1862

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WINCHESTER

When the Confederates learned that the Federal armies in Virginia were planning to combine their forces, "Stonewall" Jackson was sent with 15,000 men to intercept them.

As he advanced toward HARRISONBURG, into the Shenandoah valley, Banks retreated to Winchester, where on May 24 the two armies met and

fought a brief battle which resulted in the
flight of Banks and his men toward Harper's Ferry
on the Potomac river, pursued by Jackson,